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SUBJECT: CASE REVIEW OF ALL AMERICAN PRISONERS IN MEXICO:

-- RICHARD STEVENS

REF: STATE 194199

1. MATERIAL FROM CONGRESSMAN STARK'S OFFICE CITES ALLEGATIONS OF MISTREATMENT, EXTORTION AND POOR - TO - NO LEGAL REPRESENTATION FOR WHICH HE PAID.

2. MISTREATMENT AT TIME OF ARREST: STEVENS CLAIMS HE WAS BEATEN AND BURNED WITH PRODS. GIVEN TIME LAPSE, IT IS NO LONGER FEASIBLE TO CONFIRM ALLEGATION AND NO ACTION APPEARS POSSIBLE.

3. EXTORTION: STEVENS ALLEGES HE PAID MAYOR FERNANDO GARDNER PASQUA DOLS 1500 EARLY MARCH 1974 TO GET OFF WORK DETAIL AND DURING END MARCH 1974 DOLS 650 FOR PRIVATE CELL, WHICH NOT PROVIDED AFTER PAYMENT. STEVENS REQUESTED 9/13/74 THAT MATTER BE BROUGHT UP "CASUALLY" WITH PRISON DEPUTY DIRECTOR. WAS STEVENS' COMPLAINT SATISFACTORILY RESOLVED?

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4. LEGAL REPRESENTATION: SUBJECT STATES HE PAID AVILES, HERNANDEZ PLIEGO AND HECTOR CASO FOR LEGAL SERVICES BUT NO SERVICES WERE PERFORMED HIS BEHALF. STEVENS DOES NOT SEEM TO EXPRESS STRONG DISSATISFACTION, AND DEPARTMENT THEREFORE PRESUMES HE DOES NOT FEEL EXTORTION INVOLVED AND SUGGESTS NO ACTION UNLESS HE REQUESTS ASSISTANCE.

5. PROLONGED DETENTION: EMBASSY FILE SHOWS LAST CONSULAR VISIT OCCURRED JULY 24, 1975, WHEN CONOFF NOTED 17 MONTHS AFTER ARREST STEVENS STILL NOT SENTENCED. EMBASSY REQUESTED EXPLORE THIS SUBJECT AND INFORM DEPARTMENT.

6. CONFISCATED GOODS: REPORT OF JULY 24 VISIT STATES LAWYER CASO VILLA "SHOULD HAVE HIS POSSESSIONS FROM THE COURT." HAS STEVENS OBTAINED HIS EFFECTS? IF ASSISTANCE REQUIRED, EMBASSY SHOULD TRY TO HELP.

7. COMMISSIONED WORK: AVAILABLE RECORDS HAVE NO REFERENCE TO COMMISSIONED WORK. PLEASE VERIFY IF HE NOW HAS, WANTS, OR IS ELIGIBLE FOR SUCH WORK. IF REQUIRED, PLEASE TRY TO ASSIST HIM GET JOB.

8. EMBASSY REQUESTED CABLE NO LATER THAN 11/24/75 STATUS OF ACTIONS INITIATED OR COMPLETED ON STEVENS. INGERSOLL

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